

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
Advisory Group and Interested Parties

FROM: John Pandiani, Janet Bramley

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RE: CMHC School Services

To mark the beginning of the 2002-03 school year, this week's PIP provides information on the number of young people who received school-based services during the 2001-02 school year. For purposes of this report, school-based services include services that were identified in MSR data files with a school program of service, a school cost center, or a school location. The number of recipients of school-based services and the proportion of all mental health service recipients is reported for four age groups (5-8, 9-12, 13-16, and 17-19 years).

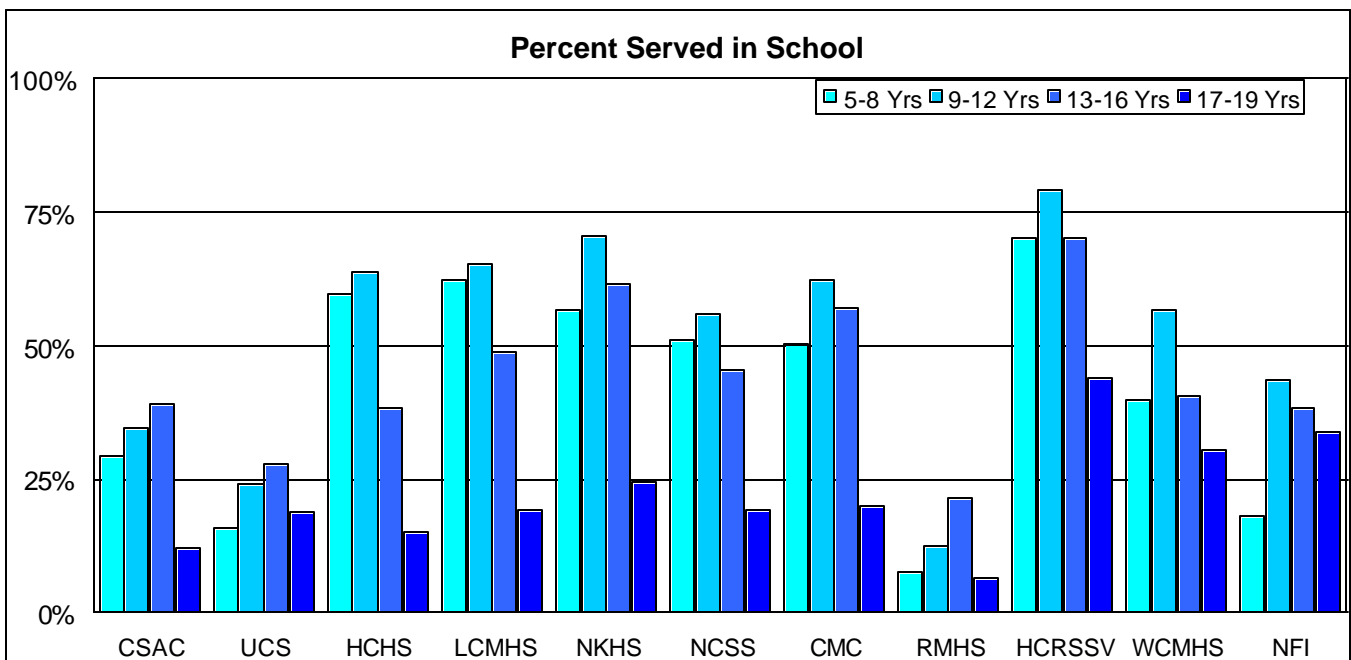
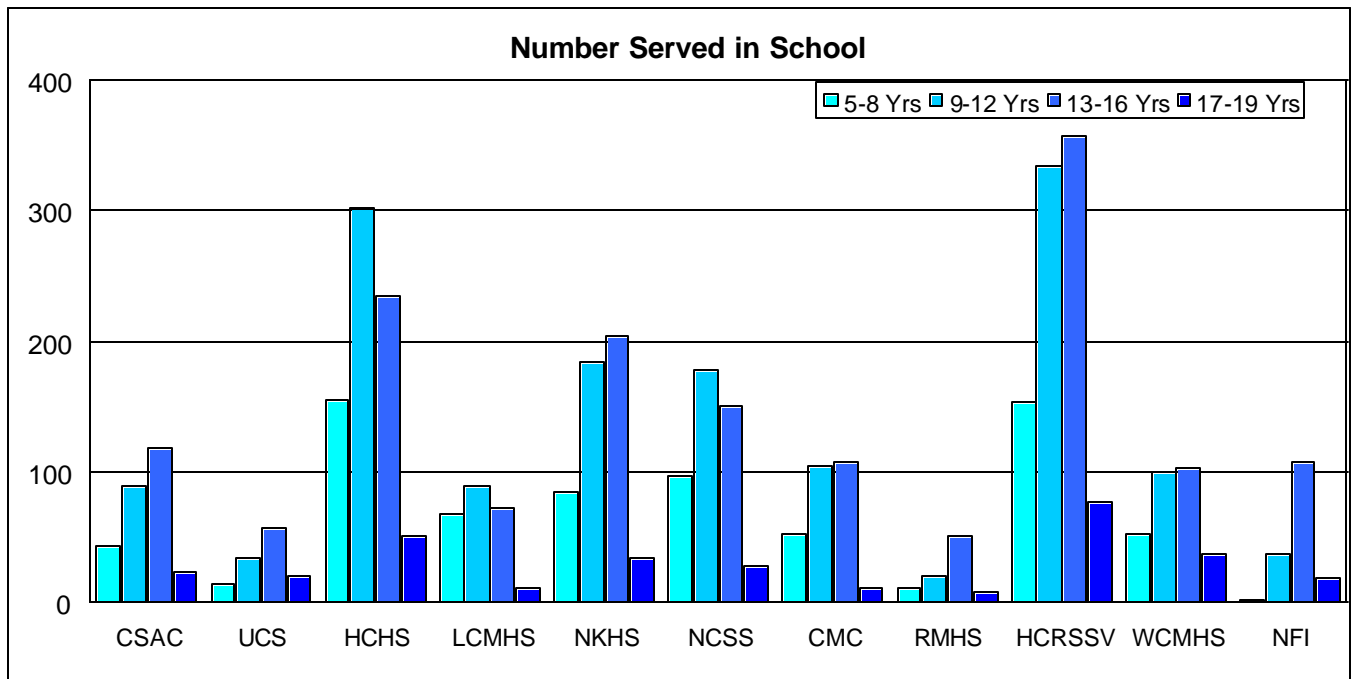
As you will see, the total number of young people served was greatest for the 13-16 age group (3,406) and smallest for the 5-8 and 17-19 age groups (1,574 and 1,526 respectively). The proportion of young people receiving school-based services was greatest in the 9-12 age group (56%) and lowest in the 17-19 year age group (21%). The proportion of young people in the 5-8 and 13-16 age groups who received school-based services was similar (47% and 46%).

There was substantial variation among regions of the state in the proportion of young people who received school-based services. Southeast had the highest proportion in every age group, ranging from 79% of 9-12 year olds to 44% of 17-19 year olds. Rutland had the lowest proportion in every age group, ranging from 22% in the 13-16 year age group to 8% in the 5-8 year old age group and 7% in the 17-19 year age group.

It is important to keep in mind that these findings do not provide a complete picture of mental health services provided in Vermont schools. The results of our 1997 survey of Vermont schools (www.state.vt.us/dmh/Data/97edtechnicalreport.pdf) indicate that 88% of responding schools reported mental health services provided by non-CMHC providers. These included 73% reporting services provided by private psychologists, 9% reporting services provided by private psychiatrists, and 9% reporting mental health services provided by school district employees. A more complete picture of access to school-based mental health services in different regions of Vermont would need to consider all students served by this broader range of practitioners.

We look forward to your comments, questions, and suggestions for further analysis email pip@ddmhs.state.vt.us or call 802-241-2638.

Child and Adolescent Recipients of School-Based Mental Health Services: FY2002



Number of people served is based on monthly service reports submitted to DDMHS by Vermont's community service providers.

Total served is the number of young people who were served by mental health service programs in schools by the eleven designated agencies. Young people assigned to Developmental Services or Substance Abuse programs are not included.

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Region/Provider	Age 5-8 Years			Age 9-12 Years			Age 13-16 Years			Age 17-19 Years		
	Total Served	Served in School		Total Served	Served in School		Total Served	Served in School		Total Served	Served in School	
		#	%		#	%		#	%		#	%
Addison - CSAC	149	44	30%	261	90	34%	303	118	39%	199	24	12%
Bennington - UCS	94	15	16%	145	35	24%	204	57	28%	111	21	19%
Chittenden - HCHS	260	155	60%	475	302	64%	613	235	38%	340	51	15%
Lamoille - LCMHS	109	68	62%	138	90	65%	149	73	49%	62	12	19%
Northeast -NKHS	150	85	57%	262	185	71%	334	205	61%	142	35	25%
Northwest -NCSS	190	97	51%	319	178	56%	330	150	45%	145	28	19%
Orange -CMC	105	53	50%	169	105	62%	189	108	57%	55	11	20%
Rutland -RMHS	158	12	8%	166	21	13%	237	51	22%	120	8	7%
Southeast - HCRSSV	218	153	70%	422	334	79%	511	358	70%	175	77	44%
Washington - WCMHS	130	52	40%	177	100	56%	253	103	41%	121	37	31%
NE Family Inst. - NFI	11	2	18%	85	37	44%	283	108	38%	56	19	34%
Statewide	1,574	736	47%	2,619	1,477	56%	3,406	1,566	46%	1,526	323	21%

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